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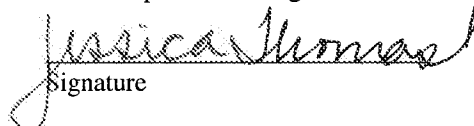
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RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION

Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated August 17, 2009 for the above-identified patent
application, please consider the following remarks.